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Of value as a lining plant along paths and as low hedge material for the cold semiarid sections of the United States." (*Meyer*.)

32238. *HYSSOPUS OFFICINALIS* L.

Hyssop.

From near Ust Kamenogorsk, southwestern Siberia.

"(No. 1696a, October 2, 1911.) Variety *ambigua*. A very aromatic herbaceous perennial growing in rocky cliffs and between stony débris along the Irtish River. Flowers blue and apparently very rich in honey. Of value as a useful bee plant and as an ornamental perennial for the hardy border. Will probably do especially well in the drier sections of the United States." (*Meyer*.)

32239. *CLEMATIS INTEGRIFOLIA* L.

Clematis.

From near Sminogorsk, southwestern Siberia.

"(No. 1697a, September 18, 1911.) An erect-growing herbaceous clematis, making stems 2 to 4 feet in height and bearing large deep-blue flowers of somewhat roseline form; blooms in June. Occurs between shrubbery or in slightly shaded places where the soil remains damp. Of value as an ornamental hardy perennial for the northern United States and may also be of use as a factor in hybridization experiments in trying to create races of erect-growing large-flowered forms of clematis." (*Meyer*.)

32240. *PAEONIA ANOMALA* L.

Peony.

From Tomsk, Siberia.

"(No. 1698a, August 19, 1911.) A strong-growing wild peony found on well-drained hill slopes, mostly between scrub. Flowers large, of pale-rose color; foliage somewhat coarse. Of interest as a perfectly hardy herbaceous perennial; will thrive in regions with short cool summers and long cold winters." (*Meyer*.)

Distribution.—Throughout central and southern Siberia from the Ural Mountains eastward to the region of Lake Baikal.

32241. *× RHODODENDRON PRAECOX* Davis.

From Tomsk, Siberia.

"(No. 1699a, August 20, 1911.) A rare deciduous shrubby rhododendron, able to stand extreme cold. Obtained from the botanical garden at Tomsk, Siberia." (*Meyer*.)

Considered to be a hybrid between *Rhododendron dauricum* L. and *R. ciliatum* Hook. f.

32242. *GUELLENSTAEDTIA MONOPHYLLA* Fisch.

From Tomsk, Siberia.

"(No. 1700a, August 20, 1911.) A very rare legume, up to the present having been found only in one place in Mongolia and in another spot in southern Siberia, occurring on dry, rocky places. Leaves and flowers small. This plant is of botanical interest only, although it possibly might enter as an item in the flora of very dry pasturing grounds in the western sections of the United States. Obtained like the preceding number." (*Meyer*.)

Distribution.—Dry rocky places in the Altai Mountain region of southwestern Siberia.

32243. *ASPARAGUS OFFICINALIS* L.

Asparagus.

From Chistunka Steppe, southwestern Siberia.

"(No. 1701a, September 8, 1911.) A vigorously growing wild asparagus, found here and there on a dry plain. Seems to be able to withstand more drought and adverse conditions than the ordinary forms of asparagus. To be tested in rustproof breeding experiments." (*Meyer*.)